

THE GAZETTE.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 11.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

For this section fair to-night; west winds.

CITY COUNCIL.

The City Council last night passed the revenue bills and postponed the question of paying King street until to-night.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The Aldermen had six members present when it was called to order. When the claim of W. H. Price for policeman's salary during suspension was reported on favorably.

Mr. Leadbeater asked why Mr. Price had any claim on the corporation.

Mr. Goodrich explained that last June Mayor Downham suspended officer Price for some weeks, and it was afterward found that the action of the Mayor was not authorized by the law, and that no legal suspension had taken place, so that Mr. Price was entitled to his salary. The legislature had since cured the defect in the law, but the act had no retroactive effect, and to avoid a law suit the claims committee reported in favor of Mr. Price.

The report was coming in.

The license bill coming in from the Council amended.

Mr. Burke said that as the liquor traffic occasioned much public expense the committee favored an increase from \$50 to \$100. In Lynchburg \$100 was raised by tax on liquor license and both in Richmond and Petersburg large sums were raised from the license tax, but the Council had stricken out the increase as proposed in the license bill.

The bill was lost—yeas, Mr. Goodrich, Messrs. Burke, Lindsay, Bryant and Leadbeater. The matter was then referred to a conference committee and afterwards.

Mr. Goodrich, from the conference committee, reported an increase of \$10 on each liquor license except brewers' and \$5 on brewers, and the bill was amended passed unanimously.

A petition from J. M. White, George McBarney, John S. Fowler, James W. Carr, B. J. Ellis, L. E. Usher and E. E. Eldridge for the paving of Washington street from Duke to Wilkes was presented and the board concurred with Council in a reference to the committee on streets.

Mr. Leadbeater presented a paper asking the paving of King street between the wharf and Columbus with modern material, signed by the following owners of property on that street who appended to their names the number of front feet represented by them:

Noble Lindsey 70, F. S. Harper 40, Joseph Brothers 65, H. Green 20, J. C. Beckham 30, H. Baader 110, Samuel Lamb 50, R. W. French 20, J. A. Marshall 18, M. Tobia 24, B. D. Smith 25, W. B. Snoot 70, Thomas Hoy 21, G. D. Hopkins 21, J. H. D. Snoot 30, E. S. Leadbeater 10, H. Strauss 21, F. E. Corbett 10, H. Webb 15, C. W. Howell 18, J. M. Hill (Opera House) 65, H. Beckham 30, M. J. Carlin 50, Armstrong & Marbury 35, G. H. Davis 35, G. P. Pullman 15, L. Stabler & Co. 25, S. J. Benderman 30, E. Goldsmith 20, J. B. Watkins 25, D. Bendheim 30, A. B. Slavenson 16, R. C. Acton 21, Mrs. C. M. Dieder 25, J. P. Clark 20, E. S. Leadbeater (for Janney estate) 20, J. D. Stanton 25, H. Green, McBarney's Hall, 45, C. W. Ridley 50, J. T. Rafferty 33, J. H. Mansfield 24, Isaac Eichberg 15, J. M. Weadon 5, R. M. Kent 30, V. W. Power 25, E. C. Daingerfield (for J. S. Barbour) 50, G. E. Kintz 20, Hellmuth Bros. 40, George S. Price 25, J. A. Weinberg 24, James Roche 23, Miss Joyce (by B. B. Smith) 20.

Mr. Leadbeater moved that the matter be discussed in a joint meeting of both boards.

Mr. Goodrich thought that a matter so important as this should be referred to a special committee of two from each board and when returned discussed in joint session after the arrangements had been made.

Mr. Bryant asked why the matter should not be referred to the committee on streets.

Mr. Goodrich said he had no objection to that course but some gentlemen preferred a special committee on the subject.

Mr. Burke said that the committee on streets was evidently the proper committee to consider the matter as they knew all about paving, &c.

Mr. Leadbeater was opposed to delay as the railroad company was ready to commence paving.

Messrs. Goodrich and Lindsay only voted for Mr. Goodrich's resolution and it was lost.

The motion to ask the Common Council to assemble in joint meeting was carried and after the intervention of some other business the time became so late that on Mr. Leadbeater's motion the subject was postponed until a special meeting to be held to-night.

COMMON COUNCIL.

A number of spectators were present without the bar when the Council was called to order and all but three of the members were in their seats.

The estimate from the School Board showing that \$21,225 would be needed for the schools the coming year, of which sum the city was expected to appropriate \$15,000, was read and referred to the finance committee.

Mr. Usher from the finance committee presented the appropriation bill which, after being read, was, at his request, referred back to the committee.

The bill appropriates \$100,567.50 which is \$8,000 more than the anticipated revenues of last year. The bill is the same as that of last year with the following exceptions: The salaries from streets increased \$400; cleaning and repairing streets increased \$500; fire plugs increased \$50; repairs, &c., to public property, decreased \$350; interest decreased \$800; new streets and sewers increased from \$7,500 to \$13,000. Mr. Usher submitted the estimates on taxable values, &c., on which the appropriations were based—the same as those published in yesterday's Gazette.

Mr. Usher then presented the annual tax bill with the recommendation by the finance committee, to whom it had been referred, that it be passed.

Mr. Fisher moved to amend so as to make the assessment on ground rents 15 instead of 12 times their annual rental value.

Mr. Mushbach asked for some reason for the increase.

Mr. Fisher said that for a long time the tax on ground rents had been low and if they were increased, as he proposed, it would make the tax on them about equal to that on other property; such ground rents were owned by persons who refused to sell and buildings on such grounds were seldom improved.

Mr. Mushbach said the explanation did not explain, without Mr. F. wished

to force people to sell who did not want to sell, or to get even with people who had been delinquent; ground rents could not be sold for more than 12 times their annual rental value and he thought that was a sufficiently high assessment; an increase would amount to confiscation.

Mr. Fisher contended that the increase should be made.

Mr. Usher said the rate named in the bill was a fair valuation of such property.

The amendment was lost—noes 10, yeas 2—Messrs. Fisher, Atcheson and McCuen. The bill then passed as reported by the finance committee and is the same as that of last year except that the dates for saving discounts are changed from July and September 10th to July and September 1st.

Mr. Usher then reported the license law.

When the clause was reached fixing the license on all liquor dealers at \$100 instead of at \$60 for wholesale; \$40 for retail and \$50 for barroom licenses as in last year's bill.

Mr. Fisher moved to amend by making the license \$60.

Mr. McCuen also opposed the increase and said that some of the liquor dealers would not have taken out licenses if they had known of the proposed increase.

Mr. Usher said that the increase was to raise more revenue to meet the demands made on the city; the public schools wanted more money and the people who were asking for fine streets wanted more money for such streets.

He said that the liquor dealers took out the proper license and that the Commissioner of Revenue connived at the evasions of the law and in nearly every instance issued the lowest license irrespective of the law. Major Duffley, he said, would do nothing he was instructed to do by the finance committee and had stated that he was a State officer and would not be made by Council to do anything. Mr. Usher said the bill now before Council proposed to do away with the various grades of licenses and let a dealer take out one license for \$100 and sell liquor in any way and any quantity he wished. He presented letters from Lynchburg, Richmond and Petersburg showing that the liquor licenses in those cities were much higher than in Alexandria, the license in Lynchburg being \$500; Richmond \$50 for wholesale and \$250 for retail, and Petersburg \$125 for \$250 for retail and barroom licenses. He said in Alexandria there were 68 places known where liquor could be bought, only a few of which took out the proper license.

Mr. Fisher said if the Commissioner of Revenue did not do his duty the police officers should see that the proper licenses were taken out and the laws enforced; they were paid to do this. He opposed the consolidation of all liquor licenses and the taking of wholesale, retail and bar-room licenses the same.

Mr. Usher said the police were paid \$9,500 and the revenue from liquor licenses amounted to only about that sum, and liquor was at the bottom of most of the causes that required the support of a police force. He did not think the proposed increase in liquor license would be burdensome on the dealers; he was one of the democrats who believed that the consumer paid the tax on liquor.

Mr. McCuen said some of the dealers did not sell enough liquor to pay the license to the State and city if the latter's license should be increased.

Mr. Mushbach asked if a dealer who only sold beer would have to pay a \$100 license under the bill.

Mr. Usher said he would. He then, to show how the law was evoked, told about a number of gentlemen, among whom was the Commissioner of Revenue, going into a beer saloon, the keeper of which took out a malt liquor license only, and calling for drinks. One called for whiskey and got it. This gentleman called the attention of the Commissioner to the way the law was being evoked, and in reply the Commissioner said that if the gentleman would swear out a warrant against the dealer he would prosecute him.

After a suggestion by Mr. Mushbach Mr. Fisher withdrew his amendment and offered in its stead the sections of the present laws providing for separate licenses for wholesale and retail dealers, bar rooms, &c. This was carried by a vote of yeas 7, noes 6.

When the section was reached fixing the license on doctors and lawyers, Mr. Mushbach asked why the graduated tax of from \$15 to \$25 on lawyers was left unchanged and the tax on all physicians and dentists fixed at \$15.

Mr. Usher said that some of the doctors did a great deal of gratuitous work.

Mr. Mushbach said so did the lawyers. He then said he saw no reason for graduating the tax on lawyers and not on physicians and dentists, who made more money than the lawyers. He wanted professional men taxed alike.

Dr. Jones offered an amendment fixing the license on lawyers at \$15.

This was opposed by Mr. Mushbach, who said the finance committee had placed themselves in a curious position. They proposed to increase revenues by raising the tax on liquors and then reducing the license on doctors.

Mr. M. said he was not a lawyer but an attorney at law; there is as much reason for lowering a doctor's license as a lawyer's; both made their living out of the ills of other people and should be taxed alike; he had recently been in the hands of a doctor himself.

Dr. Jones withdrew his amendment. Mr. Mushbach then offered as an amendment the section of the present law, fixing the license on lawyers, physicians and dentists at from \$15 to \$25, according to the amount of their practice, which was adopted on a ye and nay vote demanded by Dr. Jones.

The license law as amended was then passed after a discussion as to the right of the city to require express companies to take out licenses.

The report of the committee on claims recommending the payment to W. H. Price of \$33.75, the amount due him for the time he lost during his suspension from the police force was adopted.

The petition of the Western Union Telegraph Company for permission to erect a line of poles on Fayette street was granted.

A petition for placing a pump at the corner of Patrick and Wythe streets was granted.

Mr. Fisher stated that the property on which it was proposed to place the pump belonged to himself and others, who, however, did not now object to the pump being placed there, but might at some future day ask for its removal.

A petition from property owners on Washington street, between Duke and Wolfe, asking to have that square paved with vitrified brick was referred to the committee on streets.

A communication was received from the Board of Aldermen stating that some of the amendments to the license law had not been agreed to and asking for a committee on conference. The request was granted and Messrs. Usher and Davis were appointed conferees.

After a recess the report of the conference committee was received. It recommended an increase of \$10 on all the present liquor licenses. The report was adopted and Council, after agreeing to a resolution from the Board of Aldermen to adjourn till to-night to consider the matter of repaving King street, at 10:30 o'clock adjourned.

GOOD TEMPLARS.—The quarterly session of the District Lodge of Good Templars held at Falls Church yesterday was largely attended, every lodge in the district but two being represented. District Templar G. W. Hawhurst presided and in the absence of the district secretary, E. L. Coakley acted as secretary. The report of the district chief templar, district secretary, treasurer and superintendent were read and accepted. There are fifteen lodges in the district and a membership of 571. This is an increase over the last report. The treasurer reported a balance of \$50 in the treasury. The executive committee were instructed to use their best efforts to secure district lecturers. It was voted to give an excursion to Marshall Hall in August, and to charter a steamer for the occasion and a committee was appointed to carry out this arrangement. Lorton Lodge again received the banner for the largest percentage of initiations during the last quarter. The banner was presented by Rev. D. L. Rathbun and received by the delegate from that lodge, Mr. Philo Malby. There were in all ninety-six initiations for the past three months. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted as the sentiment of the District Lodge:

District Lodge No. 13, I. O. G. T., comprising the counties of Fairfax, Alexandria and Prince William and city of Alexandria and representing the temperance sentiment of this district, in District Lodge assembled, feel a sense of great indignation at the manner in which the petitions presented by the citizens of these different counties were treated by the past legislature, and feel that respect at least should have been shown by the legislators, by their presentation. Reference is made to the numerous petitions presenting the different resolutions adopted by the temperance convention held in Richmond in the month of December last.

The death of H. M. Foster was referred to and suitable resolutions of respect adopted. The sum of \$10 was appropriated to assist the members in Alexandria county in their resistance to the granting of liquor licenses in that county.

The District Lodge voted to meet at Manassas next time.

HAS THE BOOM STRUCK FAIRFAX C. H. 2.—We learn that Mrs. Love and N. O. Bond, of the above place, have been offered \$7,500 cash the past week for their farm, but refused and now ask \$10,000. It has not been very long since the latter party was trying to sell at the price now offered and move to Falls Church. While there is a probability of the B. & O. R. R. building their branch to Fairfax Station this summer, there is no certainty about it, and the increase of prices is probably due to the general improvement of Fairfax county. Within a year on one road leading out of this county seat, in a radius of one mile, the farms of Mr. Cummings, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Constable and Mr. Fenston have been sold to parties of means, and the houses as well as land are being very much improved. There is a feeling of certainty in this beautiful located and healthy town, that their deliverance from the one and two horse stages is near at hand either by some connection of steam or electric railroads.

WILFRED CLARKE.—Next Saturday evening this noted young comedian will make his first appearance before an Alexandria audience at the Opera House. Mr. Clarke will present a style of entertainment decidedly novel but none the less delightful on that account. He will be seen in a triple bill consisting of three comedies of a widely different character, thus affording him scope for the display of varied degrees of comedy acting. A "Morning Call," the opening play, is a light comedy of a humorous character. "Sweethearts" has a decidedly pathetic interest, while "Toodles" is a roaring farce.

PERSONAL.—Miss Rosalie Washington, of King George county, is visiting friends on south Lee street.

Mr. Frank Hume has gone to Roanoke to attend a meeting of the Virginia Chicago fair committee.

Judge J. K. M. Norton and Mr. L. C. Barley have gone to Charlottesville on business.

Mr. Henry R. Elliott, Jr., of this city, left last night for Rico, Col., where he has accepted a position with a large silver mining company.

Mrs. P. F. Gorman is seriously ill at her home on south Lee street.

MUSICAL.—The complimentary rehearsal of the Alexandria Musical Association, the last of this season, and which was announced for Friday night next, will take place at the Opera House on Wednesday night, May 18th. The change in date and place was made necessary by reason of the continued illness of Mr. R. Henry Simpson, whose residence is next to the hall of the association. A well-selected number of the Choral Society, which have held weekly practices since December, will make their first public appearance.

CORPORATION COURT.—Judge J. K. M. Norton, presiding.—Geo. Peverill, a native of England, was naturalized.

Wm. Jackson, colored, was appointed a trustee of Mt. Olivet Baptist church.

The will of W. E. Allen was admitted to probate.

Robt. Elliott vs. P. R. Fowle, report of commissioner of sale confirmed.

RED MEN.—The 46th annual meeting of the Great Council of the Improved Order of Red Men convened in Richmond this morning. Mr. James P. Lash represents Oceola Tribe, No. 1, of this city. This order throughout the State and country is now in a prosperous condition.

POLICE REPORT.—Last night was rainy and mild with one prisoner but no lodgers at the station house.

The Mayor this morning disposed of the following case:

Lucinda Jackson, colored, disorderly conduct, discharged with a reprimand.

FISH.—Since yesterday about 100 shad and 50,000 herring have arrived at

Fishtown. Shad sold at \$18a25 per hundred and herring at \$3a3.50 per thousand.

COUNTY COURT.—Judge D. M. Chester presiding.—Applications of 14 persons for license to sell liquor at Rosslyn, Jackson City and elsewhere in the county were all refused.

John Cornell was appointed to collect delinquent road and personal taxes, &c.

INVITATION.—The Columbia Steam Fire Engine Company, has through their secretary, Mr. F. L. Entwistle, received an invitation from the Independent Steam Fire Company of Charlestown, W. Va., to attend their celebration July 4th.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

A patent was issued yesterday to Lyons A. Dolan, of Alexandria, for a hand stamp.

A partial eclipse of the moon takes place to-night, beginning about seven o'clock.

Mrs. Sallie Baker, daughter of the late Capt. James Guy, of this city, died in Washington yesterday morning.

A marriage license was issued in Washington yesterday to Enoch F. Catton and Irene Hutchinson, both of Fairfax county.

Mr. Carey L. Dye, through his agent, James E. Clements, has sold one acre of land, with a small house thereon, at Ballston, Alexandria county, for \$1,000, to Miss May Foster, of Washington, D. C.

Harry Dougherty, a horse dealer, from York, Pa., was stabbed in the breast and very seriously wounded in Washington yesterday afternoon by Thomas Christmas, colored, who had been accused of stealing some junk.

Tom, a fine stallion belonging to Mr. W. A. Snoot, was strangled to death in his stable, at Colones last night, by his halter getting caught around his neck.

Mr. J. T. Stone will have for sale at his stand, on the Strand to-morrow, a supply of fine Norfolk salt water oysters, hard and soft crabs, clams, &c.

Messrs. Snoot & Co. have received contracts for furnishing the lumber, &c., for a villa to be built at Hyattsville and three houses at Brunswick, Md.

Rain fell at intervals during the night and to-day, and this evening there were several heavy showers accompanied by lightning and thunder.

A gentleman, who had promised to take his three boys to the circus in Washington last night, got lost and was not found till too late to catch the train for that city.

Aaron Jackson, while skylarking in a saloon on the wharf yesterday evening, fell and broke his leg.

Messrs. G. G. Brent and others have sold to Mr. Henry Green a lot on the east side of Pitt street, between Princess and Oranoe streets, for \$150.

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SCOTT SHIPP,

Superintendent.

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